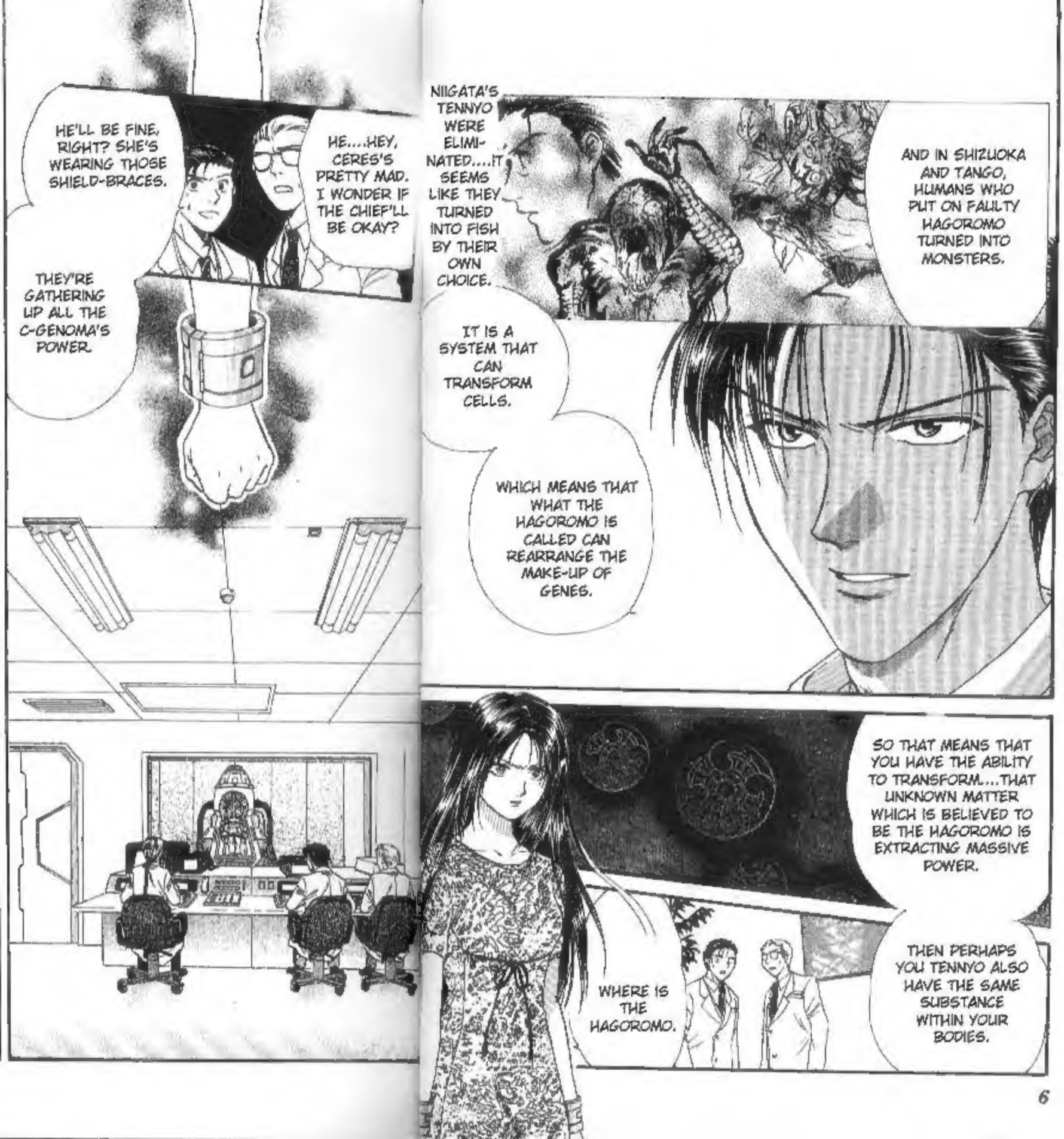
IN JAPAN, WE HAVE "TENNYO" AND "HAGOROMO", BUT IT'S DIFFERENT IN VARIOUS OTHER COUNTRIES.
TO A TENNYO, THE HAGOROMO IS HER LIFE.....
AND ACCORDING TO LEGEND, IT IS AN ITEM WHICH ENABLES THEM TO RISE TO THE HEAVENS.
POLAND'S WHITE-ROBE,
SCOTLAND'S LEOPARD-SKIN
CHINA'S "FLEECE"
AND THE VARIOUS WOMEN ARE REPRESENTED AS SWANS, MERMAIDS, WOLVES, CATS...
DID YOU COME FROM A PLACE WITHIN THIS PLANET? OR FROM SOMEWHERE ELSE?
.....
HOWEVER, IT SEEMS AS THOUGH YOU STILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO FLY.
WHICH MEANS THAT THERE MUST BE MORE TO THE HAGOROMO THAN JUST THAT....

CERES, YOU ARE A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON TO US.
I PROMISE WE WILL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU, TOO.
....WHERE IS THE HAGOROMO.
DIDN'T I TELL YOU....THAT IT IS NOT COMPLETED YET? MORE IMPORTANTLY, THERE'S BEEN SOMETHING I'VE BEEN WANTING TO ASK YOU FOR A LONG TIME.


HE'LL BE FINE, RIGHT? SHE'S WEARING THOSE SHIELD-BRACES.
HE....HEY, CERES'S PRETTY MAD. I WONDER IF THE CHIEF'LL BE OKAY?
THEY'RE GATHERING UP ALL THE C-GENOMA'S POWER.
NIIGATA'S TENNYO WERE ELIMI-NATED....IT SEEMS LIKE THEY TURNED INTO FISH BY THEIR OWN CHOICE.
AND IN SHIZUOKA AND TANGO, HUMANS WHO PUT ON FAULTY HAGOROMO TURNED INTO MONSTERS.
IT IS A SYSTEM THAT CAN TRANSFORM CELLS.
WHICH MEANS THAT WHAT THE HAGOROMO IS CALLED CAN REARRANGE THE MAKE-UP OF GENES.
SO THAT MEANS THAT YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO TRANSFORM...THAT UNKNOWN MATTER WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BE THE HAGOROMO IS EXTRACTING MASSIVE POWER.
WHERE IS THE HAGOROMO.
THEN PERHAPS YOU TENNYO ALSO HAVE THE SAME SUBSTANCE WITHIN YOUR BODIES.

RETURN IT AT ONCE!!
AKI
RETURN MY HAGOROMO AT ONCE! IT IS OF NO USE TO YOU HUMANS...!
..... YA...
I CAN'T DO THAT.... FINDING OUT HOW WE CAN LEAVE THIS EARTH AND ESTABLISH LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS WOULD TAKE FAR TOO LONG. BUT JUST THINK OF THE POSSIBILITIES WITH THE HAGOROMO....!
IT SURE LOOKS AS THOUGH YOU TENNYO WERE ABLE TO TAKE ON A DIFFERENT FORM WHEN YOU CAME HERE.

I ONLY WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS LEGEND....IF IT WOULD BE A HELP TO THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY....
N....
PLEASE TURN BACK INTO AKI-KUN....AND LET'S TALK TOGETHER....AND THEN CAN YOU GIVE ME AN ANSWER TO ALL MY CONFUSION...!
AREN'T I BEING A GOOD BOY OBEYING ORDERS AS IT IS?!
YOU CAN CUT OUT THE SCARY FACE ALREADY!
I HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN PLAYING ANY VIDEO GAMES!
JUST SHUT UP AND WORK, DR. HOWELL.

CERES!!
!!
IT'S CERES....
MY WOMAN... HEY, WHAT'S GOING ON?
THAT WOMAN IS CLOSE BY!!
WHO THE HELL TIED ME UP!! KAGAMI!! IF YOU FIND THE HAGOROMO ARE YOU GOING TO FIRE ME?!!

WHY...?! THOSE BRACES WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN PERFECTLY-MADE TO CONTAIN HER POWER.
WHAT'S GOING ON...!!
YOU CAN'T DO THIS....AT LEAST CONSIDER THE BABY!!
DON'T!! STOP IT, CERES! I KNOW YOU JUST KILLED ANOTHER PERSON!!

DRUG HIM!!
I'LL KILL EVERYONE HERE EXCEPT MY WOMAN!!
I'LL FUCKING KILL YOU!!
IT'S NO USE....BECAUSE HE'S BEING DRUGGED AND HOOKED UP TO THE MACHINE EVERYDAY, SHISO HIMSELF IS GOING INSANE. IF THIS KEEPS UP AND AKI-KUN DOESN'T COME BACK TO US, HE'LL BE DONE FOR...!!

ANYWAY, CALL ALEC! HAVE HIM STRENGTHEN THESE BRACES.
THE CHILD IN HER BELLY MIGHT HAVE POWERS, TOO....!
HUH?
OH....I SEE! WHAT IF THE POWER SURGE SHE JUST CAUSED CAME NOT ONLY FROM CERES...
TOOYA....SO THIS MEANS IN THE END YOU FINALLY FULFILLED YOUR DUTY...
.....CHAN

.....!?
CHIEF ...?
OH....EVEN THOUGH SHE'S IN HER TENNYO FORM, SHE'S STILL PREGNANT.
PHEW...

WAIT, CHIDORI! DON'T GO!!.... IS TOOYA THERE, TOO?!

OR IS HE...

I'LL COME BACK SOMEDAY..

I JUST HAD TO FIND MY OWN HAGO-ROMO.

SO DON'T CRY, OKAY? AYA-CHAN.

IF YOU FIND YOUR HAGO-ROMO, YOU CAN RETURN TO THE HEAVENS.

I SAAAAW YOU! YOU WERE CRYYYING AGAIN, RIGHT?

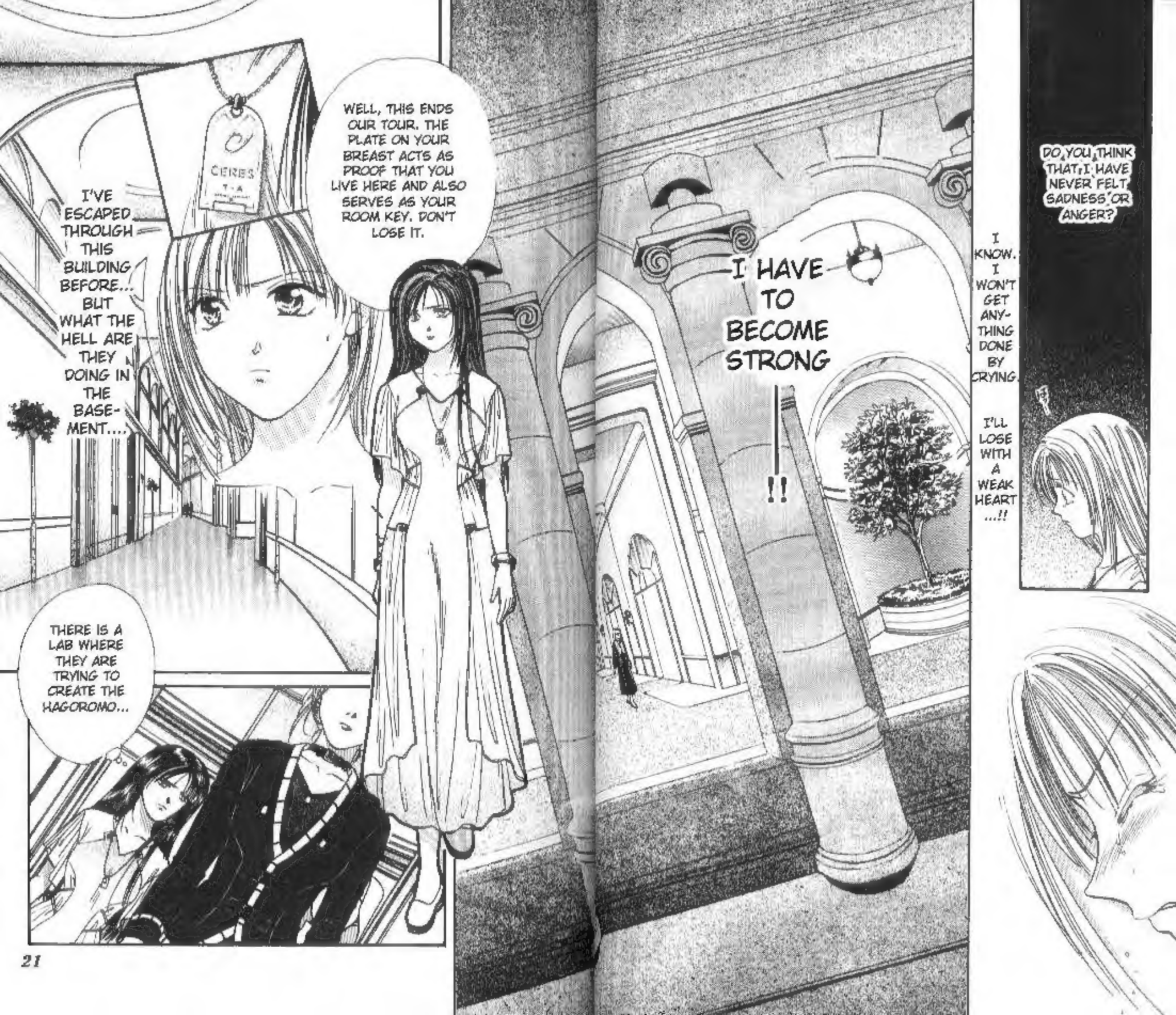
BUT!!

AAAAAAYA-CHAN

CHIDORI....

AYA....YOU CAN CRY ALL YOU WANT, BUT IT WILL NOT CHANGE ANYTHING. YOU MUST FIGHT OUT AGAINST THEM....
CHANGE PLACES WITH ME ONE MORE TIME AND STAY WITHIN THE BODY.
YOU'RE STRONG, AREN'T YOU CERES!
I....
ALL YOU CARE ABOUT IS THE HAGOROMO, HUH...!
YOU DON'T GIVE A DAMN ABOUT CHIDORI OR TOOYA, DO YOU....YOU'VE KILLED SO MANY PEOPLE....

NO MATTER HOW HARD WE TRIED TO TAKE THAT AWAY FROM YOU, YOU WOULDN'T LET US.
I AM GLADYS SMITHSON. AND SHE IS YOUR ASSISTANT, "M".
THEIR SHAPE IS DIFFERENT...
WE HAVE COLLECTED YOUR BELONGINGS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE CONFISCATED THINGS LIKE CELL PHONES WHICH CONNECT YOU WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD...
I HATE TO HAVE TO SAY THIS, BUT...
HIS BODY IS NOT EVEN IN ONE PIECE ANYMORE.
WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM? CAN I AT LEAST LOOK AT HIM?!
WHERE'S TOOYA?!


I'VE ESCAPED THROUGH THIS BUILDING BEFORE... BUT WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY DOING IN THE BASE-MENT....
CERES
T-A
WELL, THIS ENDS OUR TOUR. THE PLATE ON YOUR BREAST ACTS AS PROOF THAT YOU LIVE HERE AND ALSO SERVES AS YOUR ROOM KEY. DON'T LOSE IT.
THERE IS A LAB WHERE THEY ARE TRYING TO CREATE THE HAGOROMO...
I HAVE TO BECOME STRONG !!
DO YOU THINK THAT I HAVE NEVER FELT SADNESS OR ANGER?
I KNOW. I WON'T GET ANY-THING DONE BY CRYING.
I'LL LOSE WITH A WEAK HEART ...!!

GLADYS-SENSEI!
C-GENOMA?!
ゲッ
ORIGINAL MOTHER.... GLADYS-SENSEI TAUGHT US ABOUT YOU! SHE SAID THE WHOLE LEGEND BEGAN WITH THE LIAISON BETWEEN TWINS!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
YOU ARE MIKAGE AYA...."CERES", RIGHT? YOU ARE OUR "ORIGINAL MOTHER"!
THERE'RE THIS MANY..? EVEN KIDS? AND WHAT ARE THEY CLONES?
I'M SO HAPPY TO MEET YOU! I HEARD THAT MIKAGE AYA AND AKI STARTED THIS LEGEND!
IT'S A STORY THAT EXPLAINS THAT THAT'S WHERE HUMANKIND BEGAN....THE C-PROJECT IS TRACING THAT.
WHAT THE HELLLLL ?!
I MEAN, YOU HAVE AWOKEN US WITH YOUR FORMER BLOOD RUNNING THROUGH OUR VEINS.
THAT MEANS YOU'RE THE MOTHER OF ALL TENNYO IN THE PRESENT.
AND TO OUR CHILDREN YET TO BE BORN.
EXTRACT WOMAN'S EGGS AND FERTILIZE THEM...
JUST LIKE WITH CHIDORI.... OPERATED ON...
THOSE WITH GOLD BELTS ARE PREGNANT.
ARE YOU CONTENT BEING HELD PRISONER HERE AND GIVING BIRTH TO CHILDREN WITH MEN YOU DO NOT EVEN KNOW?
ARE YOU SURE YOU ARE CONTENT HERE?
ARE WE BEING HELD PRISONER?

OKAY?
YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, TOO, RIGHT? THEN COME WITH US
I CAN NOT SUMMON MY POWERS THEY MUST HAVE SEALED THEM OFF
CALM DOWN, JAMES!
MY BELLY....
WHAT'S WRONG?"
WE ARE SPECIAL TENNYO OF THE PRESENT. WE HAVE SPECIAL POWERS, AND ON TOP OF THAT WE'RE BEAUTIFUL.
THEY TREAT US AS INDIVIDUALS
THAT'S NOT TRUE WE ARE BEING PROTECTED HERE. THIS IS PEACEFUL
WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT OUR CHILDREN WILL CREATE A DIFFERENT WORLD A BEAUTIFUL WORLD
I'M NOT SETTLING FOR SOME STUPID MAN
WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT WE WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS THE FIRST MOTHERS
THE OUTSIDE WORLD IS FILLED WITH MURDER RAPE ABUSE WAR
WHAT'S WITH THESE GIRLS "
IT IS OUR DUTY TO CREATE DESCENDANTS FOR MEN
IF THE TENNYO RETURN TO THIS EARTH THEN WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE
WE ARE GOING TO GO TO HEAVEN... LEAVING THIS DIRTY WORLD BEHIND

TAKE ME THERE AT ONCE!!
WHERE IS THE HAGOROMO EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY?
EVER SINCE THEN HE HASN'T WOKEN UP AT ALL.
CERES, FIRST OFF, LET'S TAKE YOU OUTSIDE...I WILL CALL SOMEONE FROM THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.
DR. HOWE...!!
I'VE GOTTA GET SOME SLEEP....

UM....WHAT HAPPENED TO ME...?
YOU'LL BE OKAY. JUST HANG ONTO ME.
THANK YOU....
ALEC-SAN.....!! WHY....AM I?!
TAKE HIS BRACES OFF.
AKI-KUN?!
AKI-KUN?! ARE YOU REALLY AKI-KUN?! DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?!
ALEC ..... SAN?
!?
DOCTOR! HIS WOUNDS HAVE COMPLETELY DISAP-PEARED!
OW!... WHAT THE HELL'S THIS?
WHERE AM I...?!

DID YOU REALLY BELIEVE I WOULD HAND OVER THIS BODY TO THAT BRAT SO EASILY?!
FOOLS !!
WHERE IS CERES!!
!!
HA HA- HA HA HA HA HA

IS IT IN THAT ROOM?
CERES..... DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS USELESS?
THAT IS WHAT I WANT TO ASK YOU. WHO ARE THOSE GIRLS? YOU CERTAINLY DID A GOOD JOB FILLING THEIR HEADS WITH LIES.
I DO NOT CONSIDER THOSE GIRLS WHO KNOW NOTHING OF ANGER OR SADNESS MY COMRADES...!!
CERES ...!!
I'VE CAP-TURED YOU.
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SHUT UP AND OPEN THIS DOOR! I'M GOING TO LEAVE THIS LAB WITH MY WIFE!! AFTER I KILL KAGAMI, THAT IS!! HOW DARE YOU TRY TO MAKE ME DISAPPEAR!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
SHISO!
AT LAST I HAVE YOU, CERES!!
AND ON TOP OF THAT, I HEAR ABOUT THIS RESTORATION OF THE HAGOROMO?!
MASTER !!
YOU SURE DID A GOOD JOB GIVING ME THE SLIP UNTIL NOW!
GIVE ME A BREAK...!! ... COULD IT POSSIBLY BE IN THAT ROOM?!!

THEY'RE IN THE HALLWAY BEFORE B-EXPERIMENTAL LAB!
SHISO IS TRYING TO ESCAPE WITH CERES!!
CHIEF!
NO!! I REFUSE.....! HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE DO YOU PLAN ON KILLING !!
UNDERSTOOD.. STAND UP ALEC I WANT YOU TO WORK ON SHISO AGA...
BOTH DOORS ARE LOCKED, BUT THE HAGO-ROMO IS INSIDE...
HOW.. TERRIBLE.... ALEC.
ALEC ?

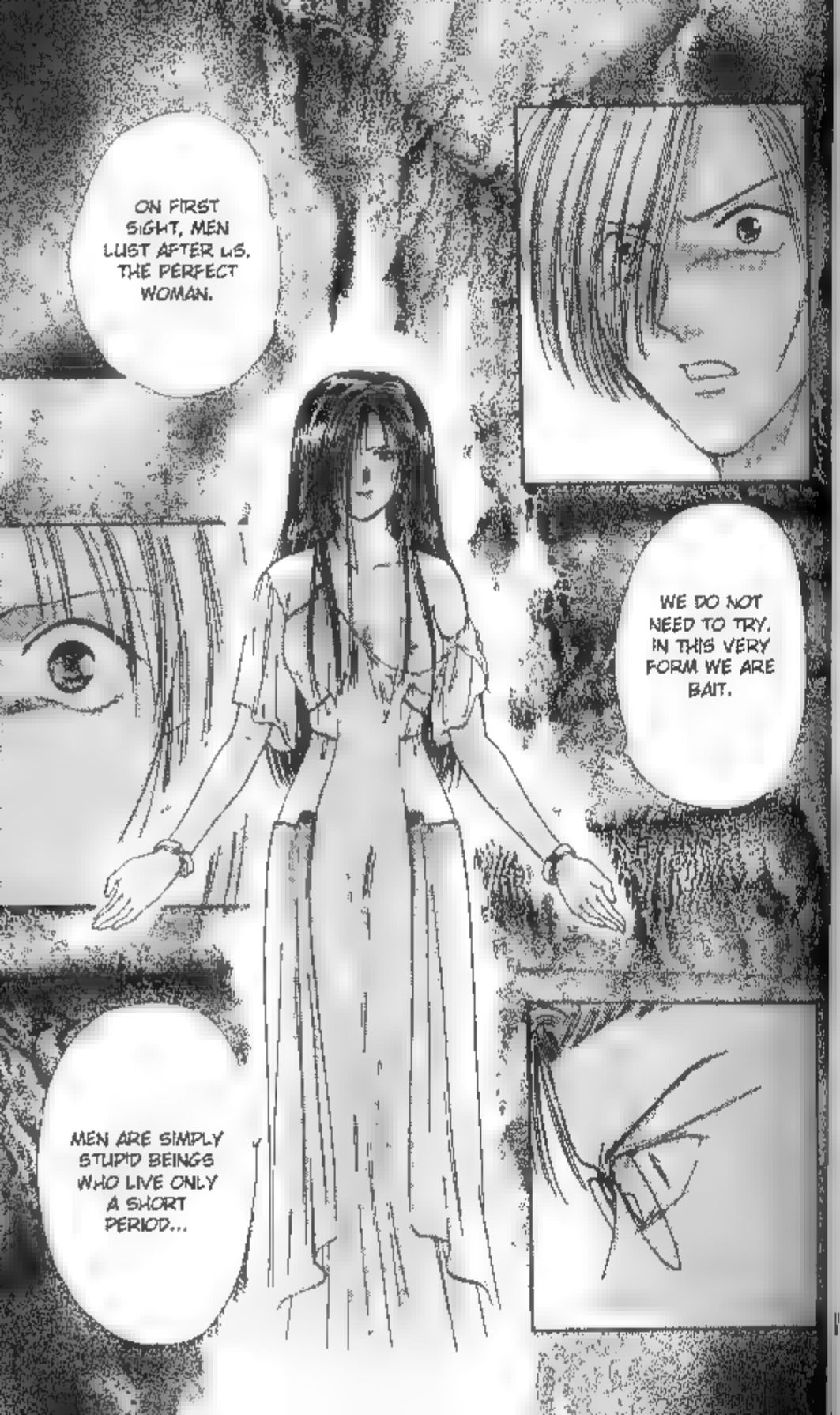
NOW I CAN'T DO THAT SEEING AS HOW YOU PROBABLY CAME HERE IN SEARCH OF THE HAGOROMO.
MASTER! WE CANNOT GO INTO THIS ROOM. I DON'T HAVE CLEARANCE. SO PLEASE STOP HURTING CERES...
DID YA HEAR THAT, CERES? TOO BAD, HUH. ... JUST GIVE UP AND COME WITH ME!!
AREN'T YOU... ALSO A "HUMAN" JUST LIKE I AM...?!
UNHAND ME!!
YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE AGREED IN THE BEGINNING THAT FOR THE SAKE OF OUR PROJECT BEING SUCCESSFUL .. YOU HAD TO BE WILLING TO BECOME "THE DEVIL".
I'VE HAD ENOUGH!! THAT'S NOT WHY I JOINED THIS PROJECT....
EVEN IF YOU WERE HATED BY THE REST OF SOCIETY, YOU SHOULD BE WILLING TO SACRIFICE THAT FOR THE SAKE OF REFORM...
I CAN'T BECOME A "DEVIL"....I CAN'T BECOME A "GOD" EITHER!! BECAUSE I'M JUST A NORMAL "HUMAN"!!

HMPH, SOME SHIELD..!!
WE TENNYO CANNOT USE OUR POWERS IN THIS LABORA-TORY...

MASTER! PLEASE LET GO OF CERES....
IF WE MAKE ANY SUDDEN MOVES, CERES IS IN DANGER ... .
CHIEF! SHALL WE SEND BACKUP IN?!
WAIT IN FRONT OF THE DOOR....
I WONDER IF WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO HEAR ANYTHING THAT'S GOING ON IN THERE...

HUH?! SHE GAVE HIM....
AND YOUR POWERS AS WELL.....THE POWERS I GAVE YOU WILL ALSO NOT WORK.
HIS POWERS?
NGH ...
CHIEF!
WAIT!
COME TO THINK OF IT, IT SEEMS AS THOUGH YOU TOLD EVERYONE THAT I FORCED YOU TO BE MY WIFE
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU GLARING AT ME LIKE THAT!

WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
CHUCKLE
MY, YOU SURE ARE ARROGANT...
KAGAMI... PERHAPS YOU ARE LISTENING TO THIS CONVERSATION RIGHT NOW.
YES....WHAT YOU TOLD ME YESTERDAY WAS CORRECT.
ALL RIGHT, SHALL I TELL YOU THE TRUTH NOW?
I GET IT....TENNYO ARE BORN WITH THEIR POWERS! IF CERES...
DID YOU NOT BECOME MY WIFE OF YOUR OWN FREE WILL?...I KNOW YOU DID...!!
HOW DARE YOU LIE LIKE THAT!!
HUH?!
IF CERES DIDN'T WANT TO MARRY HIM, THEN WHY DID SHE?! IF SHE DIDN'T WANT TO, WHY DIDN'T SHE JUST...
ARE YOU SAYING.....
THAT I "LOVED" YOU?


ON FIRST SIGHT, MEN LUST AFTER US, THE PERFECT WOMAN.
WE DO NOT NEED TO TRY. IN THIS VERY FORM WE ARE BAIT.
MEN ARE SIMPLY STUPID BEINGS WHO LIVE ONLY A SHORT PERIOD...

BECAUSE PRODUCING OFFSPRING IS THE TENNYO'S MISSION.
I ONLY WANTED MAN'S "SEED".

THAT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY! YOU SLUT!! YOU WITCH!!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS...!!
IF I AM A WITCH, THEN YOU ARE A DEVIL. YOU ARE THE ONE WHO KILLED TOOYA.
SHUT UP!!
THE HAGO-ROMO SEEMED TO HAVE MADE A MISTAKE...
I GAVE YOU PART OF MY POWERS IN ORDER TO MAKE YOU THE PERFECT MAN SO I COULD BEAR EVEN BETTER OFFSPRING, HOWEVER,
BEFORE YOU....HAD ME.. .YOU ALSO HAD COUNTLESS OTHER MEN?!
AND YOU CALL YOURSELF A TENNYO...?!
YOU ARE NOTHING MORE THAN MY MAN AFTER MANY OTHER MEN.
I AM SORRY.
I JUST WAITED FOR MY HAGO-ROMO TO CHOSE THE BEST MEN FOR ME.
THE DESIRE TO REPRODUCE IS NATURAL OF ALL LIVING BEINGS. BUT IT IS NOT THAT I ACCEPTED EVERY MAN'S SEED. I CHOSE THE BEST SEEDS.
.... Y..... .. YOU.....!!

THAT WAS A GOOD MAN.
MUCH BETTER THAN YOU WERE.
NO.....
YOU'RE NOT....?!
YOU
I HAD A FEW THINGS I WANTED TO ASK HIM BUT HE RESISTED ME, SO I KILLED HIM.
SHOT HIM RIGHT THROUGH THE HEAD!
TOOYA ?!
WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT HIM ANYWAY?!
AND ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT AS YOU WERE REBORN INTO OTHER GIRLS YOU STILL TRIED TO GET "NEW SEEDS"?

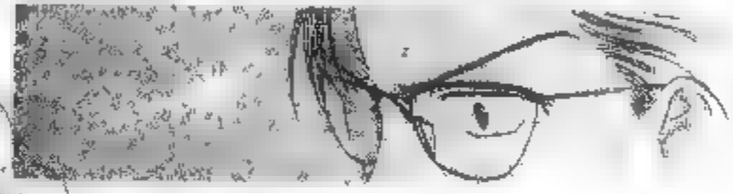
OH NO!
CERES ....
GLADYS ...

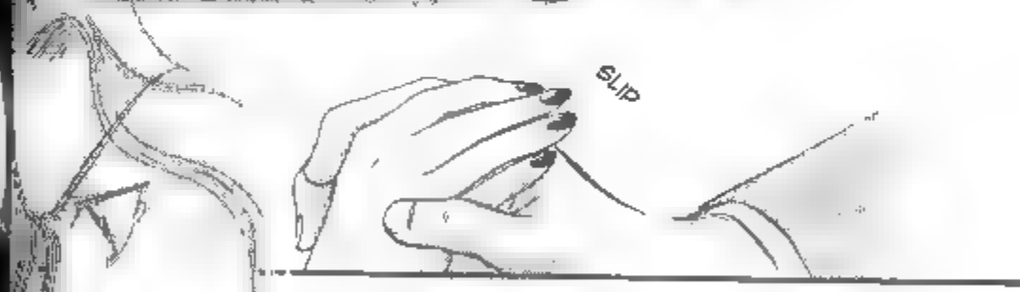
GLADYS!!

THAT WOMAN....HAS DIED, RIGHT?.....
CERES....I WANT TO ASK YOU ONCE MORE ABOUT WHAT YOU JUST SAID.
WHAT I SAID WAS THE TRUTH.

MAKE OUR.....IDEA.....

GOOD JOB PROTECTING CERES! WE'LL GET YOU SOME HELP RIGHT AWAY....
CHIE..F

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I CAN'T BECOME A DEVIL...AND I CAN'T BECOME A GOD EITHER!!
BECAUSE I'M JUST A NORMAL HUMAN!!

BUT ALL YOU PEOPLE ARE DOING IS WHAT WE WERE TRYING TO DO.....AM I NOT RIGHT?
NO!!
YES.. .AND AMONG THEM, MIKAGE IS THE STRONGEST.
BUT NOW, WE HARDLY HAVE ANY DESCENDANTS LEFT....ONLY A FEW.
THE CURRENT HUMAN RACE IS FAILING! OUR SOULS ARE IN PAIN, BUSINESS IS IN A DEADLOCK.... WE EVEN CONTINUE TO HARM OUR OWN PLANET....SO JUST ONE MORE TIME....!
WE WANT TO CREATE PERFECT CHILDREN AND CREATE A BETTER FUTURE.
THE SAME AS WHAT WE DID LONG AGO.
WE CHOSE THE BEST MEN AND GAVE BIRTH TO THEIR SEEDS.....WE HAD BEEN PLANNING ON CREATING THE SUPERIOR HUMAN RACE.
THAT IS ALL.
WE EXIST ONLY TO REPRODUCE.
WE FOUND YOUR DESCENDANTS IN OUR C-PROJECT.
AND THEN WE CHOSE GARDINALS FROM SPECIAL HUMANS AND HOPED TO PUT THE TWO TOGETHER....
I DO NOT KNOW IF THIS IS MY TRUE FORM. ..NOR WHERE I COME FROM.
!!
SAME AS WE.
IN ORDER TO CREATE EVEN BETTER OFFSPRING.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
WHAT WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT...!!
HAD YOU BEEN DECEIVING US ALL ALONG?!
CERES ....!!
YOU WANT DESCEN-DANTS....SO THAT'S WHY YOU LET ME....AND TOOYA.. ?
UNTIL HUMANS LINKED THE TENNYO'S HAGOROMO WITH THEIR FAIRY TALES.
I DON'T BELIEVE THIS! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE ON THE SAME SIDE AS KAGAMI!!
IT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE TO BE ON THIS PLANET. I JUST WANT TO CREATE A UTOPIA...
WE'RE JUST.... REPEATING HISTORY..?
WHAT A SAD, VACANT FAIRY-TALE .... I AM TIRED.... EXTREME..Y.
PLEASE LET ME REST.....YOU POOR CHILD....

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NO....THERE MUST BE SOMETHING ELSE YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME!
I KNOW IT.... DON'T HIDE IT....TELL ME! WHAT HAPPENED WITH YOU AND SHISO?!
AH!
HEY, COME ON, DON'T DISAPPEAR, SHOW YOURSELF!!

NO...THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANTED...
IT'S ALL FOR YOU AND THE CHILDREN!!
YOU ARE NEVER TO LEAVE THIS HOUSE AGAIN!! I WILL NOT ALLOW YOU TO BE SEEN BY OTHER MEN!!
YOU CAME HERE AND GAVE ME THIS POWER!!
I HAD BEEN ATTACHED TO IT FOREVER... TO BARE OUR THIRD CHILD, WE MOVED TO A DIFFERENT HOUSE.
I WONDER IF I COOPERATED BECAUS I WAS AFRAID OF LOSING MY POWER?
I'LL BECOME STRONGER AND STRONGER FOR YOUR SAKE!!
RESULTING IN OUR TRIBE GROWING
AS IF JUST TO SHOW OFF HIS POWERS, HE FOUGHT WITH OTHER TRIBES...AND OTHER MEN WOULD HELP
FROM THAT DAY ON, MY HUSBAND CHANGED
YOU'RE NOT THAT KIND OF MAN! YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHOW OFF FOR--
PLEASE STOP, MIKAGI--

SO CAN'T YOU SHOW ME?! WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU AND SHISO?...
THIS IS CERES'S PAST?!
CERES..? FROM LONG AGO...?

AH!
SO THEN. THE HAGOROMO MUST BE SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE!
THIS IS A TENNYO BATHING ...
SHARK?!

THAT'S RIGHT...MANA. YOU PEOPLE CALLED IT HAGOROMO..
IF A MAN IS ABLE TO TOUCH IT IN SAFETY, THEN THAT IS PROOF THAT HE IS A CHOSEN-ONE
IT IS? ..THEN LET'S TAKE GOOD CARE OF IT. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
MANA...THE HAGOROMO'S REAL NAME
THIS IS SHISO!!...NOT QUITE THE SAME IMAGE! APPEARANCE WISE AND CHARACTER-WISE...
I AM CERES.. I CAME FROM FAR AWAY, BUT MAY I STAY HERE...?
YES.. THAT IS CALLED MANA.
A BIT AWAY, I FOUND THIS.. IS IT YOURS?
THAT THING IS MY LIFE... ITS EXISTENCE IS VERY IMPOR-TANT.
HAGOROMO?! I.. I CAN'T SEE
SHISO?!
WAAAH!! RUN AWAY! HE'S GONNA GET YOU!!
HUH?

MIKAGI WAS DIFFERENT FROM ALL THE OTHER MEN DAYS AND DAYS WENT BY AND HE NEVER ONCE TRIED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ME
THE MAN'S NAME WAS MIKAGI
MIKAGI? WHO'S HE?
HIS TRIBE WAS PLEASED TO HAVE A DAUGHTER OF A GOOD STAY WITH THEM
JUST EVERYDAY, HE WOULD BRING ME BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THAT COULD HAVE BEEN HIS TRIBE'S WAY OF PROPOSING MARRIAGE.

AH...
FLOWING...FEELINGS. CERES'S? SHISO'S?
CONTENT AND HAPPY...
THE JOY OF LOVE.
TOOYA...
YES...I KNOW THAT FEELING, TOO.

IT'S STRANGE, ISN'T IT...THE FLOWERS I BRING YOU NEVER SEEM TO DIE. MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE THEY ARE WITH YOU.
AND THEN, ONE NIGHT, AFTER I HAD BEEN THERE FOR A MONTH.
HE GAME ME A SET OF EARRINGS HE MADE THAT LOOKED LIKE MY MANA AS A MARRIAGE PROPOSAL.
BUT, THE MOST BEAUTIFUL FLOWER OF ALL IS CERES, YOU...YOU'LL STAY IN BLOOM FOREVER.
BECAUSE I WILL PROTECT YOU.
IF I CAN BE ONE WITH YOU, I WILL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING... EVEN MY LIFE.

WE WERE ATTACKED BY SOME MEN FROM ANOTHER TRIBE
I'M SORRY I LET THEM HURT YOU
UP TO THAT POINT I HAD ONLY THOUGHT OF MEN AS "SEED-PLANTERS" BUT I WANTED TO LIVE WITH MIKAGI FOREVER
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME I FELT THOSE FEELINGS.
BUT WE'VE GOT A PROBLEM HERE: IS HE "THAT" SHISO?!
HE'S AWFULLY KIND AND SEEMS SO NICE HOW DID HE TURN INTO THE SHISO I KNOW?!
ONE DAY WE WENT FAR FROM THE VILLAGE
SOME-ONE REVIVED HIM
HE ATE SOME-THING ROTTEN
HE HIT HIS HEAD
SO WHICH IS IT?
I UNDER-STAND I MEAN, YOU LOOK SO HAPPY TOGETHER!

IT'S ALL RIGHT. DON'T BLAME YOURSELF LIKE THAT...
I'M A SORRY EXCUSE FOR A MAN.
IF I JUST HAD ..I LITTLE BIT OF YOUR POWER..
THEN, I SHALL GIVE YOU SOME.
JUST A BIT OF MY STRENGTH ...
IT SHALL PROTECT YOU.
MY POWER CAN MAKE THOUGHTS REAL.
IF YOU THINK YOU CAN FLY, YOU FLY. IF YOU HATE SOMEONE, YOU CAN DESTROY HIM.
WE TENNYO....IN RETURN FOR RECEIVING MAN'S SEEDS, WE GAVE THEM SOME OF OUR POWERS.
SO, BACK THEN, TOO...IF MY HUSBAND DESIRED TO...
HOW'S SHISO DOING?
NOTHING LIFE THREATENING, BUT...

SHUT THE HELL UP!! I CAME HERE TO THIS WORLD ONCE AGAIN FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF FINDING MY WOMAN...!!
CERES...!!
MIKAGI? WELCOME HO...
NO...!
I'M NOT GONNA LOSE AGA...
AH...IT LOOKS AS THOUGH HE'S STILL FIGHTING WITH SHISO.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN... BY TRAGEDY ??
AKI?!
SHUT UP, LITTLE SHIT!!
BUT...I HAD NO IDEA THAT GIVING AWAY MY POWERS WOULD BEGIN SUCH A TRAGEDY....
....P..!
STOP HURTING AYA...!

HUH...?!
THE ONES...WHO ATTACKED US. BUT DON'T WORRY
I KILLED THEM ALL!
YOUR POWER IS AMAZING, CERES...!!
IT'S LIKE I HAVE A GOD INSIDE OF ME!!
MIKAGI ...
I MET
THOSE BASTARDS

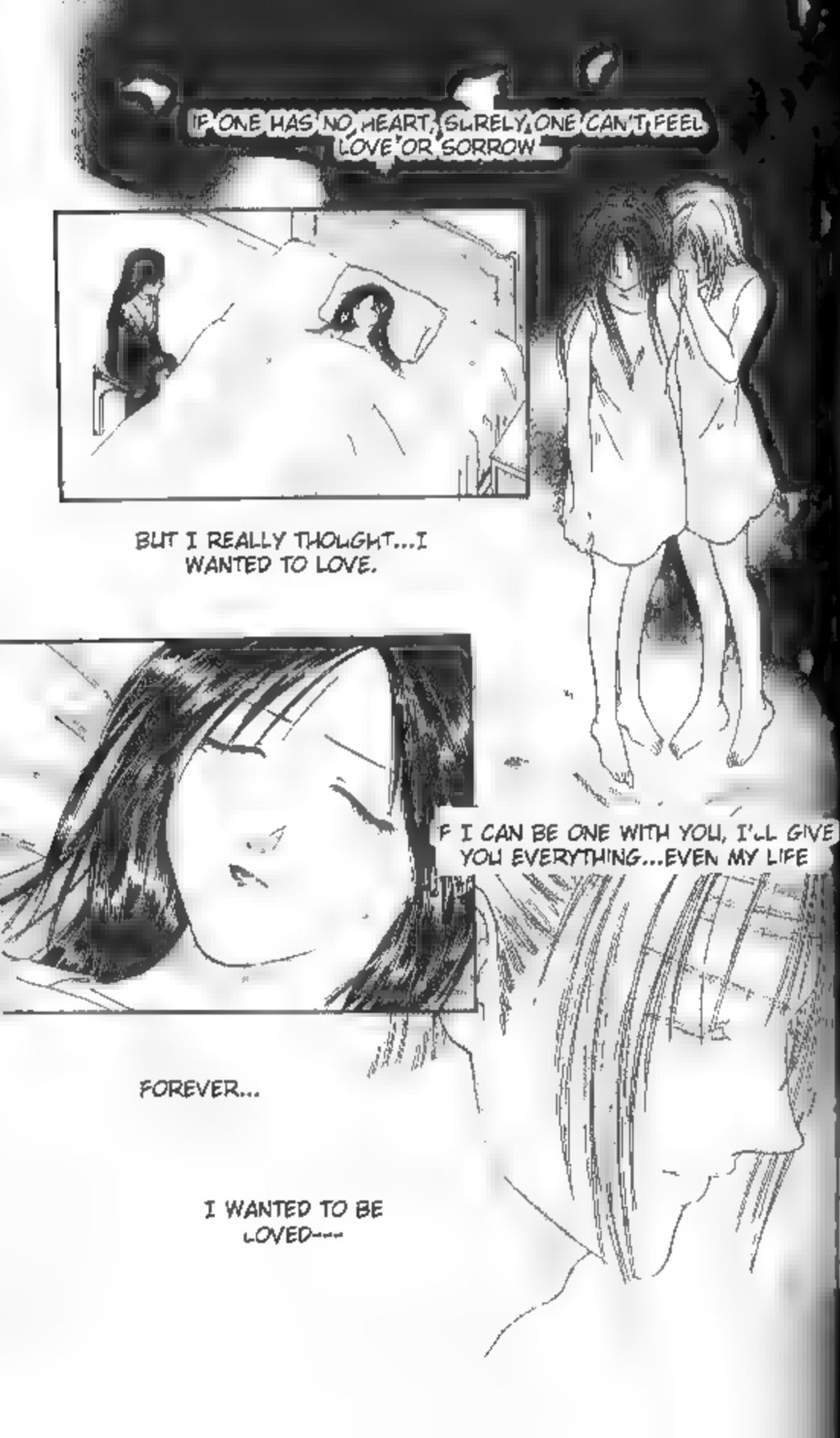
WHERE DID HE GO?
THE MAN WHO LOVED ME...
NO ..
MAYBE HE NEVER
LOVED ME..
FROM THE START...
MOTHER, HURRY!! LET'S GO SOMEWHERE WHERE FATHER CAN'T FIND--
SOMEDAY, THAT MANA'S GONNA STEAL YOU AWAY FROM ME
PLEASE, RETURN IT!' IF YOU DON'T, THEN I CAN'T--
GIVE IT BACK . YOU KNOW IT'S MY LIFE
MIKAGI. WHERE IS MY MANA?!
YOU WILL ALWAYS BE ONLY MY WOMAN!!
NO.. !!

ONEE-SAMA!!
FATHER! MOTHER IS GETTING WEAKER AND WEAKER!!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
YOU DESSERT ME. .EVEN WHEN I GAVE YOU..
IF THIS KEEPS UP, MOTHER CAN'T--
SOMEWHERE IN MY HEART
SO SHE DIED, EH?
I WON'T EVEN .ET MY OWN CHILDREN TRY AND STEAL YOU AWAY FROM ME.
I STILL BELIEVED IN HIM.

SCARS
ALL OF SHISO'S BODY
CE
NO!!
...
SURELY, SOMEDAY...HE'LL CHANGE BACK...
COME, CERES
BUT

WHY ???!!
I WAS STUPID...
FROM THEN ON, MEN...WERE JUST *SEED-BEARERS* TO ME...
I WONDER NOW WHAT GOOD IT IS HAVING A HEART.....
THAT MUST HAVE NOT BEEN NECESSARY TO ME...IF WE JUST PRODUCE DESCENDANTS--

THIS IS NOT
WHAT I HAD WANTED TO HAPPEN.
WHY...?


IF ONE HAS NO HEART, SURELY ONE CAN'T FEEL LOVE OR SORROW
BUT I REALLY THOUGHT...I WANTED TO LOVE.
IF I CAN BE ONE WITH YOU, I'LL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING...EVEN MY LIFE
FOREVER...
I WANTED TO BE LOVED---

YOU WANTED LOVE, DIDN'T YOU!!
YOU LOVED HIM..!!
STOP LYING TO YOURSELF!!
WE'RE NOT ANIMALS!! WE'RE HUMANS...!!
HUMAN — I MET THAT MAN AND WAS GIVEN A "HEART"

THAT IS OUR MISSION.

BUT WE ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO LIVE FOR ONLY THAT PURPOSE.....

WHAT WE REALLY NEED IS....

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GLORIOUS PLANET.

PERFECT MEN.

WE GIVE THEM POWER..

AND KNOWLEDGE, AND THEY GIVE US SEEDS

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梧
THANKS FOR COMING, SHURO...YOU MUST NOT HAVE MUCH TIME WITH GETTING READY FOR YOUR CONCERT AND ALL.

SO I DON'T WANT TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE AOGIRI ANYMORE... PLEASE!
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, I'LL CONTACT YOU AGAIN....
OH, AND HELLO TO SHURO, TOO! BYE...
SHE COULDN'T ...
BUT DON'T WORRY.
THEY TREAT ME VERY WELL HERE, AND THEY SAID THAT EVERYTHING'S GOING SMOOTHLY WITH THE BABY INSIDE OF ME.
THIS IS IT...
NO PROBLEM...YOU SAID THAT YOU GOT A MESSAGE FROM AYA?
AYA!!
HELLO TO EVERYONE AT THE AOGIRI HOUSEHOLD. HOW ARE YOU? ..
SINCE THEN, I'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF THINKING, AND HAVE DECIDED TO STAY WITH THE MIKAGE.
I'M SORRY I DISAP-PEARED SUDDENLY.

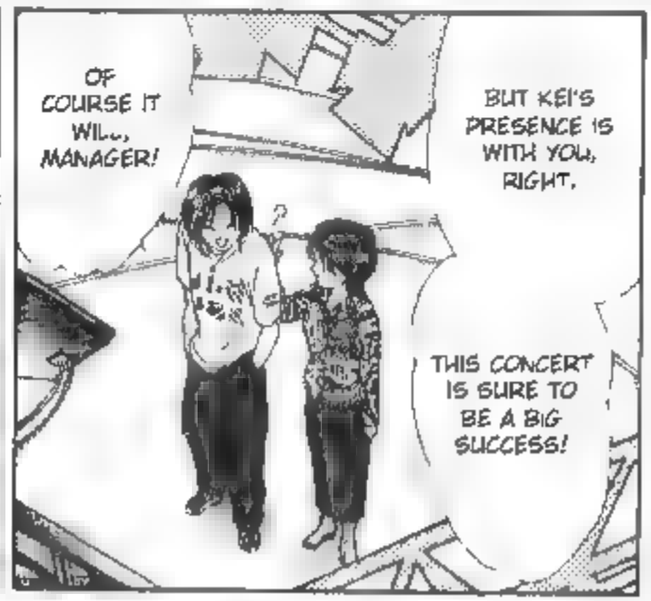
I KNOW THAT!!
THAT'S WHY...IT REALLY HURTS...
NOT BEING ABLE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT...!
YUUH!
GODDAMMIT .. WHAT'S WITH THAT "HELLO TO SHURO" SHIT?!
PROBABLY... SHE WANTS TO GET IT BACK HERSELF SO NOT AS TO CAUSE TROUBLE TO US...
IT'S PROBABLY BECAUS THE MIKAGE RESEARCH CENTER HAS THE HAGOROMO IN IT.
EVEN WHEN THEY KILLED CHIDORI AND TOOYA!!
WHAT THE HELL IS SHE THINKING!!

YEAH...I WONDER IF SHE'S OKAY...
NEE-SAN...DID SHE SEEM A LITTLE STRANGE TO YOU?
I THINK SHE MEANS WRINKLES.
NOT REALLY...? WHY? YOU DON'T MEAN I HAVE WORRY LINES ON MY FACE?!
I'M FINE! BY THE WAY.. HAVE YOU NOTICED ANYTHING STRANGE ABOUT YOUR SKIN LATELY?
LET'S JUST THINK ABOUT HOW WE CAN HELP AYA.
AND SHURO, BE CAREFUL AROUND THE MIKAGE.
TOKYO DOME
I WAS KIDDING, MISTRESS! CALM
THAT'S RIGHT. .SHE DIDN'T DRINK THE DRUGS, AND SHE ALSO CAN'T TRANSFORM.
HUH?
NOTHING! WELL, I'LL CONTACT YOU LATER.

JUST DON'T BE LATE AGAIN TOMORROW.
AKASHI-SAN, YOU WORRY TOO MUCH! I WONDER IF YOU'RE HAVING YOUR MID-LIFE CRISIS...
WHAT ?!
I'M STILL..... ALIVE!
KEI...GIVE ME STRENGTH..
SO I CAN HELP MY FRIEND ..!

I WANTED KEI TO SING HERE, TOO

WELL, I'VE GOT SOME ERRANDS TO RUN.
TRY TO TAKE A REST WHILE YOU CAN! .. HOW ARE YOU FEELING?


OF COURSE IT WILL, MANAGER!
BUT KEI'S PRESENCE IS WITH YOU, RIGHT.
THIS CONCERT IS SURE TO BE A BIG SUCCESS!

YOU'LL WATCH OVER ME AND THE BABY RIGHT, TOOYA.
!!
GIVE THE HAGOROMO... THE MANA BACK TO CERES.
CERES'S AND MIKAGI'S SAD PAST.. AND ALL OF THE R ANCES- TORS .
..IF I GIVE CERES HER MANA BACK, THEN SURELY .
ALL OF THIS WILL END.
AH--
TOOYA.. OUR BABY IS DOING FINE TODAY.
BEFORE I GIVE BIRTH TO THIS CHILD, I MUST
THE AOGIRI MUST BE REALLY MAD AT ME, BUT...
I WONDER HOW LONG IT'S BEEN SINCE I CAME HERE?

IS THAT SO. . ANOTHER ONE?
WHAT. .?!
THIS MAKES 29 ALL TOGETHER WE'VE LOST ALMOST HALF OF THE C GENOMA.
DON'T WORRY! IT'S NOTHING!.
WHAT YOU ARE DOING NOW IS THE SAME THING WE DID--
OUR ANCESTORS LIVING ON IS OUR ONLY GRIP ON LIFE.
CERES, THIS WAY!!
WHAT?! BUT THAT GIRL...
SO...RRY...
HUH? ○○
!?

AND FOR THAT PURPOSE, OTHER MEMBERS HAVE GIVEN YOU VAST FUNDING.
YOUR C PROJECT HAS FAILED TO BE MORE THAN JUST A PROJECT
JR. ...WE EXPECT SOMETHING OF YOUR EXPERIMENTS IN JAPAN.
IF YOU HAVE SUCCESS IN JAPAN, NEXT IS THE WORLD...TO USE THE TENNYO POWER.
WE WILL ESPECIALLY BE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE COMPLETION OF THE HAGOROMO.
IT'S TIME FOR THE MEETING WITH THE MEMBERS OF RADAN-AREKU
CHIEF!
IT LOOKS AS THOUGH YOU'VE LOST ANOTHER C GENOMA, MIKAGE JR.
IT MAKES ME WONDER IF THE C PROJECT IS REALLY RUNNING SMOOTHLY.
OUR PURPOSE IS TO MAKE A BETTER FUTURE BY CREATING A SUPERIOR HUMAN RACE.

THEY ALSO UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE C PROJECT.
IT'S JUST BECAUSE IT'S ONLY OUR PROJECT THAT'S NOT WORKING.
WHAT THE HELL WERE THOSE GUYS TALKING ABOUT?
THOSE BASTARDS KNOW NOTHING!
I REMEMBER BEING PICKED UP BY THE GUERRILLAS AND BEING TAUGHT TO KILL... THERE MUST BE MANY OTHER KIDS OUT THERE LIKE ME!
NO FAMILY CAN'T GO TO SCHOOL
THIS PROJECT WAS CREATED TO ELIMINATE THOSE PROBLEMS, WASN'T IT??

SOME-ONE'S SINGING
!
I WONDER IF THAT GIRL IS OKAY?
BUT I'M ALWAYS TIRED... BECAUSE I'M PREGNANT.

WEI WANTS TO MAKE A WORLD WITH NO RICH AND POOR!
LULIK'S WIFE DIED BECAUSE SHE WAS SICKLY AND HE WANTS HUMANS TO BECOME STRONGER.
WE'RE CLOSE TO FINDING IT, BUT NOT PERFECTLY...
LULIK, THE HAGOROMO?
YOU SAVED ME, CHIEF, AND TREATED ME WELL! I WON'T LET GO OF THIS PROJECT!!

TSUKASA SHURO WANTS TO SEE YOU!
IT'S NOT WORKING.
HE?
CHIEF!
IT STOPPED...
IT'S TSUKASA SHURO... SHE MUST BE NEAR!
IT'S SEEMS LIKE SHE'S USING HER POWER.
DON'T GIVE ME THAT. FIND HER AT ONCE!
!
THIS VOICE...
SINGING?!

NOT RIGHT AWAY. I STILL HAVE MY CONCERT TO DO.
ARE YOU SERIOUS?
I SEE... YOUR POWER MUST BE AMAZING.
HAVING A VOICE THAT IS ABLE TO BREAK THROUGH ANYTHING...
I PLAN TO DECLARE MY RETIREMENT AT THE CONCERT.. AND THEN TAKE MY RESPONSIBILITY.
THE SONG STOPPED...

YOU CAME HERE BY YOURSELF TO SAVE AYA?
DON'T SEEM TO BE WORKING, HUH.
THAT'S TOO BAD, BECAUSE WITHIN THIS BUILDING YOUR POWERS--
BUT I DIDN'T COME HERE TO SAVE AYA, JUST TO SHOW YOU MY POWER.
SO YOU'RE AYA'S COUSIN...WHO RUNS THE C PROJECT, HUH?
I THINK I WANT TO BECOME UNDER YOUR CARE, LIKE AYA.
I'M TIRED PRETENDING TO BE A BOY AND BEING A SINGER.. BUT I CAN'T BE A NORMAL HUMAN, EITHER!

SORRY FOR GOING OFF ON MY OWN LIKE THIS...BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT THE HA--
BUT IT'S GOOD I CAN SEE YOU. ...EVERYONE'S BEEN WORRIED.
THEY SAY I HAD TO WEAR THESE HERE OR THEY WOULDN'T TRUST ME,
THEY'RE PROBABLY LISTENING IN ON OUR CONVER-SATION.
HUH?!
I CAME HERE TO CHECK OUT THE PLACE BECAUSE I'M GONNA LIVE HERE, TOO.

SHURO?!
I THOUGHT IT WAS YOU...! WHY?!
I ASKED THAT KAGAMI-GUY IF I COULD SEE YOU. I ONLY GOT 10 MINUTES.

AYA.
SHU...

HUH?
TAKE A GOOD LOOK... I'M *JUST LIKE KEI*
A REJECTION.. OF THE DRUGS?!
...THAT'S WHAT IT IS.
NO! YOU CAN'T COME HERE.. YOU'RE MAINLY DOING THIS FOR KEI!
I... UNDER-STAND NOW-! THE WAY YOU FELT WHEN YOU LOST KEI.
WHY?!!
2 DAYS LATER, AT MY CONCERT, I'M GOING TO RETIRE...
I CAN BECOME A WOMAN AGAIN, SINCE I HAD BEEN SINGING AS A MAN... THIS IS MY CHANCE.
LOOK! THIS IS THE RING KEI WAS WEARING WHEN HE DIED.
IT'LL BE MY LAST CONCERT, BROADCAST ON SATELLITE TV, *CHIEF* SHOULD LET'CHA DO THAT, AT LEAST!

YOU'RE WEARING... THE PERFUME I GAVE YOU?
NO
YEAH YOU GAVE IT TO ME ON MY 17TH BIRTHDAY
I STILL WEAR IT. IT CHEERS ME UP...LIKE YOU'RE HERE ROOTING FOR ME
IT LOOKS LIKE I'M GONNA BE ALONE WHEN I LOSE BUT WHY IS EVERY-ONE NOT
YOU'LL BE FINE
NO
SHURO " YOU CAN'T ..."
IT'S BEEN SLOWLY ADVANCING
JUST LIKE THAT GIRL EARLIER "
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPEN-ING"
WHY...
NO
I'M OKAY! I'VE DONE PLENTY WITH MY LIFE ALREADY... AND KEI SAID HE UNDERSTOOD

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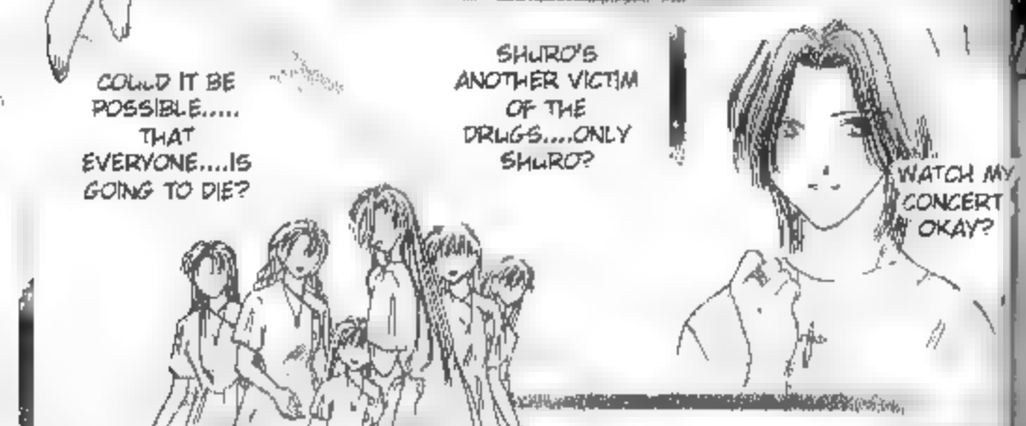
WOW, WHAT A BIG CROWD!
EVEN THOUGH KEI'S NOT HERE ANYMORE, SHIJRO'S STILL SURE TO TRY HER BEST!
YEAH, BUT..... I'M KINDA WORRIED AFTER WHAT SHE SAID YESTERDAY....
WHAT?! YOU WENT TO KAGAMI'S PLACE?!

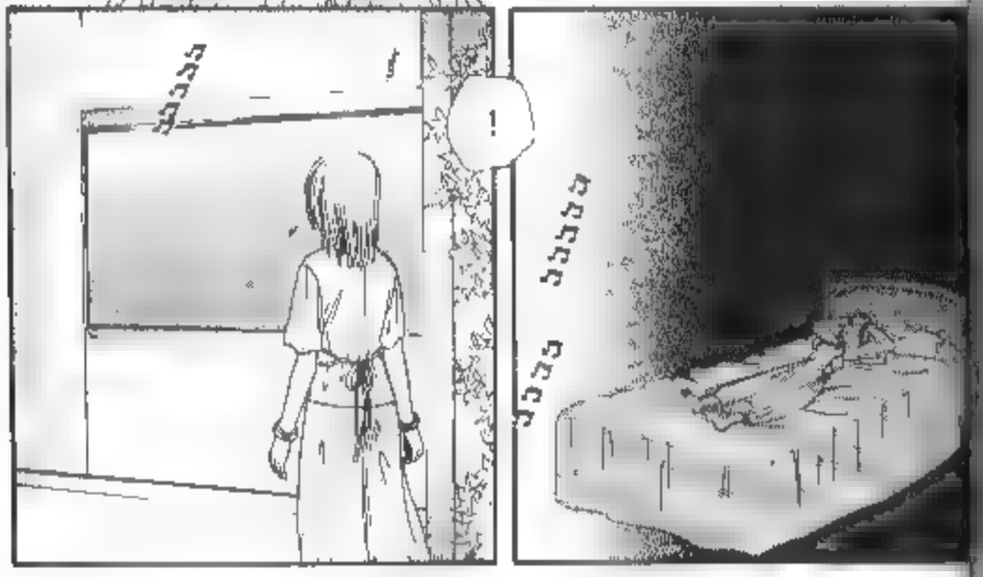
AND I SHALL ACCOMPANY YOU!
にゅっ
I'M NOT TOO KEEN ON SITTING HERE ON MY ASS AND LETTING AYA BE HURT!
OH, I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK OF YOU, SUZUMI.
I COULD ONLY SPEAK WITH HER FOR 10 MINUTES...I COULDN'T BRING HER BACK.
GOOD THING YOU'RE SAFE!...SO, HOW'S AYA?
JUST CONCENTRATE ON DOING A GOOD JOB AT YOUR CONCERT! KEI'LL BE SURE TO WATCH!
WHAT'S SHE THINKING OF DOING?
HUH, CHIDORI...
I'LL GO!
PLEASE?
...?! OKAY, BUT...
TOMORROW, WHEN MY CONCERT IS OVER....
CAN SOMEONE RESCUE AYA RIGHT AWAY?
EH?
YUUHI
THANK YOU!

DOING WHAT I CAN...
WHY'RE YOU DOING THIS?
WON'T YOU DIE?
FOR THE ONES I LOVE. THAT'S WHAT I'VE DECIDED TO DO WITH MY LIFE . . . AND FOR AYA....
YEAH, BUT TODAY'LL PROBABLY BE THE BEST DAY OF MY LIFE.
I'LL HELP YOU!
I UNDER-STAND!
KEI.....
PLEASE GIVE ME STRENGTH ..... FOR MY.... LAST CONCERT.
HERE I GO.
SHIRO
OH, THAT YOU, CHIDORI?

I HURT.
FEVER?

SHURO!
IT'S TIME.


COULD IT BE POSSIBLE..... THAT EVERYONE....IS GOING TO DIE?
SHURO'S ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE DRUGS....ONLY SHURO?
WATCH MY CONCERT OKAY?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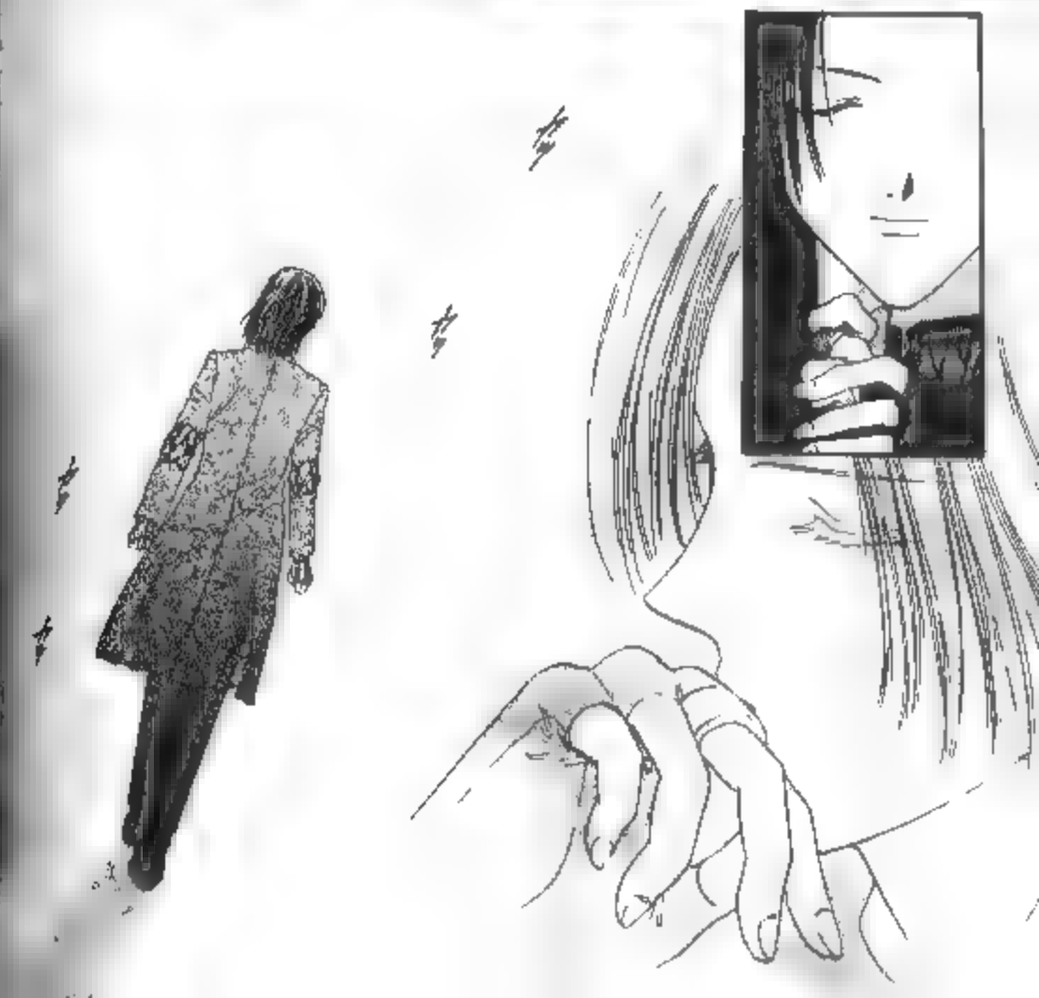


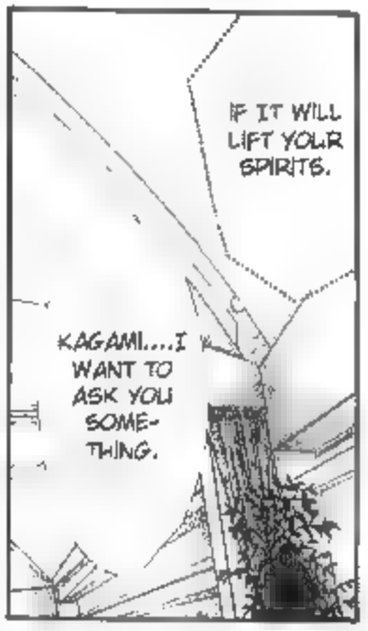
IF --EVERYONE REJECTS THE DRUGS ....

YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD.... TSUKASA SHURO.. .. TENNYO-NAME JUNO'S CONCERT IS STARTING.
I'LL MAKE AN EXCEPTION AND LET YOU WATCH IT.
REALLY ??

HELLO, AYA-CHAN.
HOW'RE YOU FEELING?

IF THAT HAPPENS, THEN HER CHILD....?
EVERY-ONE...?
I DON'T NEED TO ANSWER THAT.
I'M GOING TO TURN THE SCREEN OFF NOW..... HAVE FUN WATCHING THE CONCERT.
WAIT, WHAT ABOUT THE HAGORO --
?

OF THE C GENOMA YOU'VE BROUGHT HERE...HOW MANY OF THEM HAVE DIED?


IF IT WILL LIFT YOUR SPIRITS.
KAGAMI....I WANT TO ASK YOU SOME-THING.

I WONDER IF THEY'VE GOT IT
CHIEF!
WE HAVE SOMETHING FROM THE HAMADA RESEARCH LAB!
I SEE SO THIS IS THE HAMADA RUNE
THIS WAY

IS COMING INTO MY HEART..
SHURO'S SONG..
DON'T LOSE!
GOOD LUCK!

GIVE ME "POWER" ....!!
EVERYONE GIVE ME YOUR "POWER" AS ONE!
BUT SHURO MUST BE IN TERRIBLE PAIN.....
GOOD LUCK... ... GOOD LUCK!
EVERYONE!
YOU'RE AMAZING, SHURO....!
WOW...

AM REALLY A GIRL!
THIS ISN'T A JOKE. IT'S TRUE.
EVER SINCE I STARTED GESANG, I'VE BEEN LYING TO YOU ALL.....I'M SORRY
YOU DON'T HAVE TO ACT SURPRISED WITH THEM.
TOKYO DO
IT HURT MY HEART, BUT.....I WANTED TO HELP MY DECEASED PARTNER'S... KEI'S DREAM COME TRUE, SO I LIVED AS A BOY....BECAUSE I LOVED KEI.....
BECAUSE.....I WANTED TO BE WITH HIM.....

WITH YOUR HELP....I CAN MAKE MY LAST SONG THE BEST I'VE EVER SUNG.
O---KAY.....I THINK THIS IS A DAY I'LL NEVER FORGET.
BUT BEFORE THAT.....I HAVE SOMETHING I.....HAVE TO GET OFF MY CONSCIENCE....
I FEEL LIKE YOUR POWER IS MERGING WITH MINE.
I...TSUKASA SHURO.. ...

A GESANG SONG.... A BALLAD THAT KEI WROTE.
HEH. . THANKS .....!!
OKAY.....THIS WILL BE MY LAST SONG! EVERYONE SING WITH ME.
HUH?!
SHURO
SING
EVERYONE, SORRY FOR ALL OF THAT.
AND ALSO.... THANKS A LOT!

SHE TRANS-FORMED ...

THIS IS... SINGING?!
POWER ?!!!
GET THE HAGOROMO AND THE CHILDREN TO SHELTER!
SHURO !?
HERE IS THE 9 O'CLOCK NEWS

A MIRACLE'LL HAPPEN
YOU'LL DIE!!
SHU-ROOOO
KEI..
AYA.
I'LL SET YOU FREE
SHURO.... STOP!!
IF YOU USE YOUR POWER IN YOUR CONDITION....

KEI....!!
WE CAN'T. THE COMPUTERS.... ARE ACTING ON THEIR OWN!!
TH S IS PUSHING THE SHIELD TO ITS LIMITS. ..
STOP THE SINGING!! KILL THE MONITORS!!

THANK YOU..... !!
I'M FINE. I'M LEAVING NOW....TO GO GET WHAT'S PRECIOUS TO ME.
..IVE! AYA...FOR ALL OF US ----
. ...ARE YOU OKAY, SHISO.... ..!
SHU .. .!
!!
SHURO .....
SEE ....
DIDN'T I TELL YOU A MIRACLE'D HAPPEN?
THE SHIELD ...?!

NO. I'M NOT SHISO!
SUDDENLY I GOT MY WILL BACK THAT VOICE.
YOU REALLY ARE A GREAT ARTIST --
FOR THE SAKE OF BEATING FATE THIS TIME...
YOU DID IT, SHURO?
WHO WAS IT ?!
AYA. ?!
YOU BROKE THE SHIELD.
LIVE..... AYA

I'LL GET THE HAGOROMO BACK....
DEFINITELY!
SHURO SACRIFICED HER LIFE FOR MY FREEDOM.
I HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!
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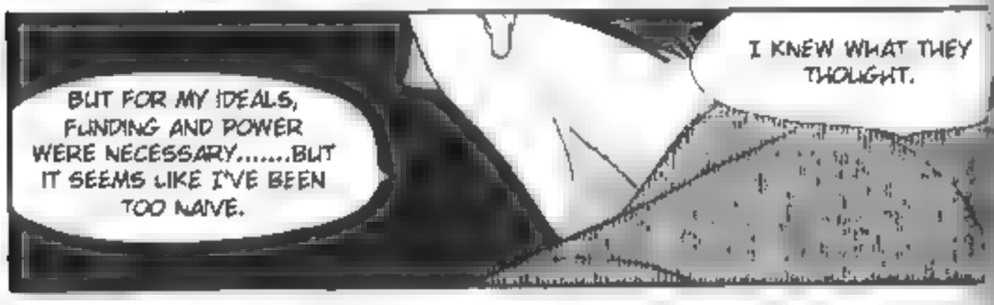
IT'S EVEN HARD FOR ME TO FLY I MUST GET THE MANA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
OH NO..... I'M LOSING STRENGTH.
HOW BAD ARE THE DAMAGES ??
OR ELSE !!!
THE MAIN COMPUTER IS COMPLETELY DESTROYED! BACKUP'S ALSO NO GOOD
CERES, FREEZE!!

WHAT A PITY MR ALE JR
WE'VE HEARD THE DETAILS OF YOUR SITUATION.
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, GENTLEMEN OF RAGUNAREKU.
YOU SURE GET THE NEWS VERY QUICKLY.....
IT APPEARS AS THOUGH CONTINUATION OF YOUR STUDIES WOULD BE DIFFICULT..... SO WE WILL TAKE OVER
BUT THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE IN ANY SHAPE CHIEF! THIS INSTITUTION IS NO LONGER
THEY HAVE ALL BEEN ASSEMBLED IN THE CENTRAL HALL
WHAT ABOUT THE C GENERAL?
WE MUST CONTINUE THAT'S ON NOT LETTING AYA GET AWAY
NEVER MIND THAT
CHIEF!!

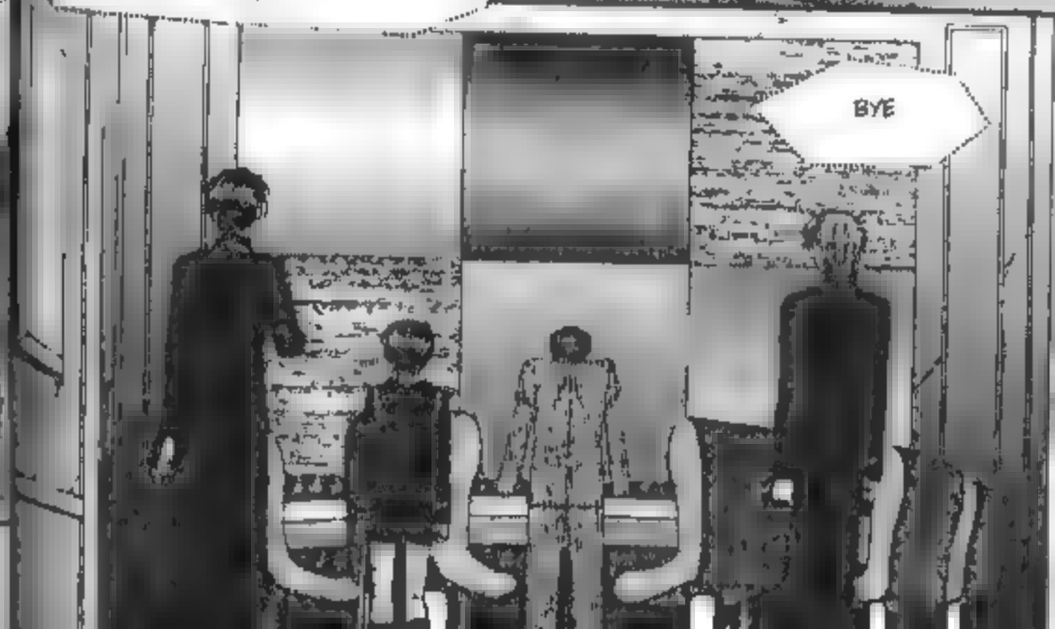
NO.....
YOUR JOB IS DONE.
WE SEE IT AS A POSSIBLE "ELIXIR OF LIFE" ....
WE HAVE NO INTEREST IN WHAT IS TO COME OF THE CURRENT HUMANS ON THIS PLANET.
WOULDN'T IT BE NICE, INSTEAD, TO OUTLIVE EVERYONE.....EVEN IF WE HAVE TO LEAVE THIS PLANET.
YOU'RE WRONG!! THAT'S NOT THE PURPOSE THAT I'VE BEEN-----
THOSE GIRLS ARE..... FUTURE MOTHERS!! THEY WILL DETERMINE THE FUTURE OF MANKIND--
THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE.
NO MATTER HOW MANY GENERATIONS PASS, HUMAN ESSENCE DOESN'T CHANGE. BUT THE HAGOROMO....
HUH?
PLEASE HAND OVER TO US...THE HAGOROMO AND CERES.....AND THE SURVIVING C GENOMA. THEY WILL ALL DIE VERY SOON, BUT WE CAN USE THEM AS WEAPONS OR AS PETS.

CHIEF...?
DIRTY...BASTARDS... THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN!


I KNEW WHAT THEY THOUGHT.
BUT FOR MY IDEALS, FUNDING AND POWER WERE NECESSARY.....BUT IT SEEMS LIKE I'VE BEEN TOO NAIVE.

CHIEF ...
YOU COULDN'T MEAN..... !!
OUR C PROJECT,
WHICH WE'VE MADE SO MANY SACRIFICES FOR, HAS COME TO THIS.... ..

AND WE HAVEN'T BEEN COOPERATING WITH YOU FOR YOUR IDEALS EITHER!!
UNDERSTOOD, JR.?
WE WILL SOON COME TO TAKE OVER
WE'LL ALSO RETURN YOUR DISPATCHED MEN TO THEIR OWN COUNTRIES. DON'T TRY TO RESIST US...WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO LEAVE RAGUNAREKU IN A FRIENDLY MANNER?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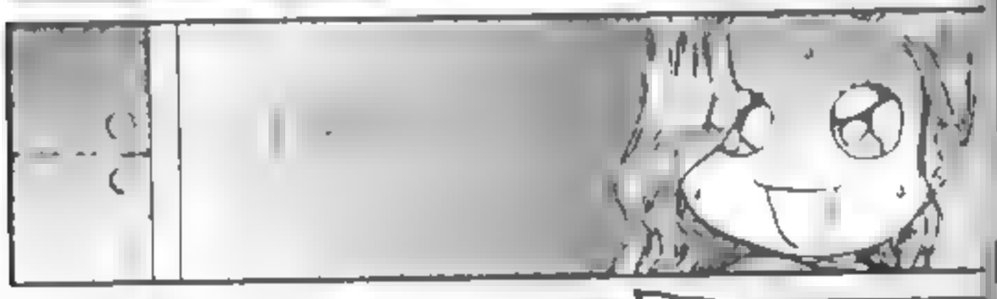
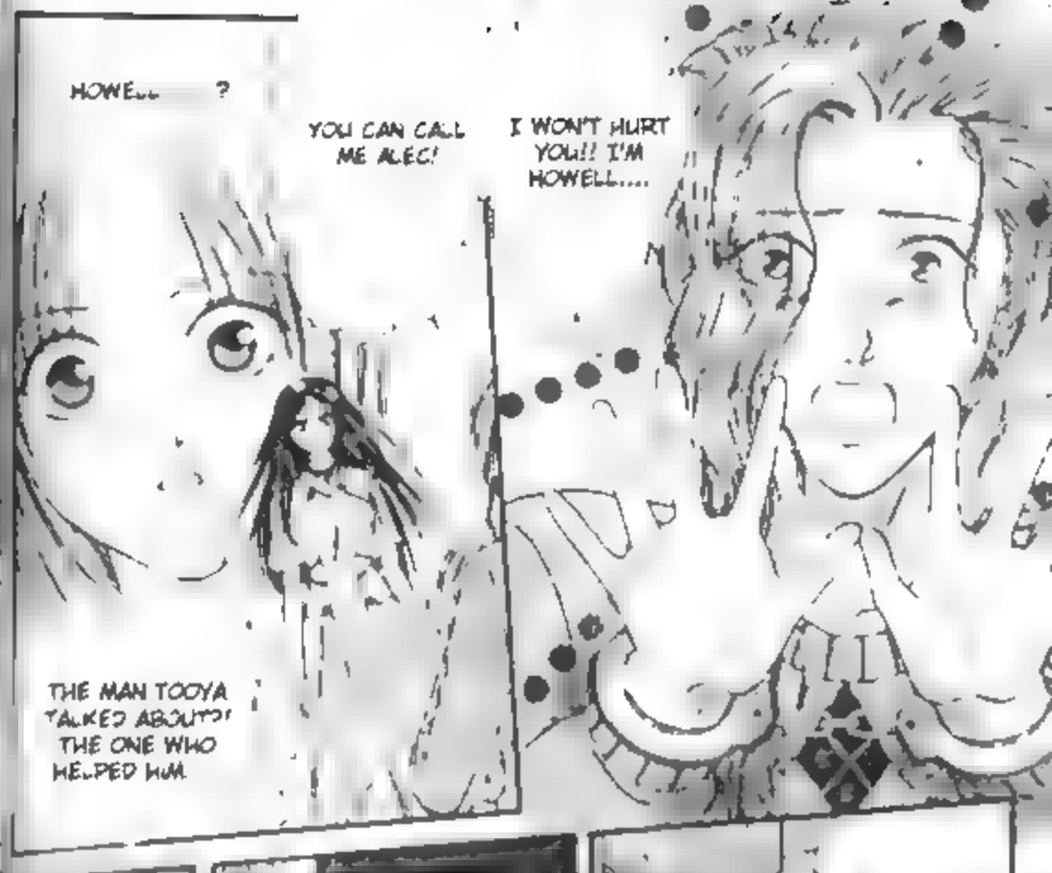
ARE YOU JUST GONNA GIVE UP?! JUST LIKE THAT?!
ASSAMu!
YOU WANT THE HAGOROMO....?
WEREN'T WE GOING TO MAKE THIS WORLD BETTER?! WE'VE COME THIS FAR.....
EVERYONE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK UP UNTIL NOW
WHETHER YOU BECOME PART OF A NEW PROJECT FOR RAGNAREKU OR....WHETHER YOU RETURN TO YOUR OWN COUNTRIES IS UP TO YOU.
ABANDONING THE C-PROJECT?!
HA
DON'T BE SILLY..... ....!!
S THIS...ABANDONMENT? ABANDONING "GARDINA."....
NO --

MANA
.....!!
W --
WAIT.
.....!!



CERES COME WITH ME!
THE HAGOROMO'S AT ANOTHER PLACE YOU NEED IT DON'T YOU?!
KAGAMI!!


HOWE... ?
YOU CAN CALL ME ALEC!
I WON'T HURT YOU!! I'M HOWELL....
THE MAN TOOYA TALKED ABOUT?! THE ONE WHO HELPED HIM

UH I DON'T KNOW I WAS CAPTURED FOR HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT THE PROJECT AND JUST ESCAPED ANYWAY IT'S BOUND TO BE HIDDEN SOMEWHERE.

WHERE IS THE HAGOROMO? IS IT HIDDEN SOMEWHERE?!

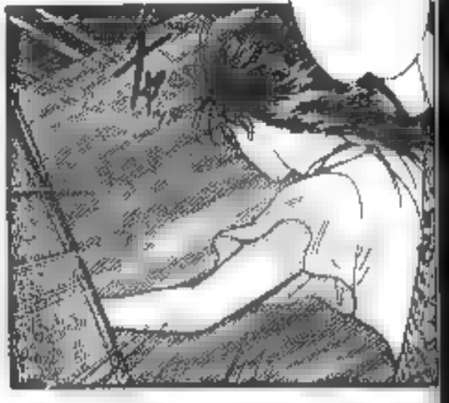
DID WEI'S AND ALEC'S HELICOPTER ALREADY LEAVE?
CHIEF!!
YES, BUT THE C-GENOMA ARE...
!?

KAGAMI... WHERE ARE WE GOING?!
IF YOU WANT TO COME TOO, THEN COME ALEC.
CHIEF!! YOU'VE COME TO THIS?!!
STOP IT ALREAD...

CHIEF! ME TOO, I WANNA BE WITH Y---
NO! ASSAHL, GO WITH LILIK!
SORRY.....!! I'M ONE OF THOSE DISPUTED MEN FROM RAGUNAREKU!
I'M NOT GOING
WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE.
BECAUSE THERE ARE MANY UGLY HUMANS THERE.
OUT THERE IS DIRTY.
I TRIED TO REASON WITH THEM, BUT THEY WOULDN'T LISTEN.
WE CAN'T LEAVE THIS PLACE.
GO TO SCHOOL AND TO COLLEGE....YOUR FACE IS TOO CUTE TO BELONG TO AN ASSASSIN!
ALEC, I'LL BE PRAYING FOR YOU! WE'LL MEET AGAIN!
... ?
FINE! WHAT HAPPENS NEXT IS. .... .
UNDERSTOOD. ...!

YUUHI?!

YUUHI --!
CERES?!



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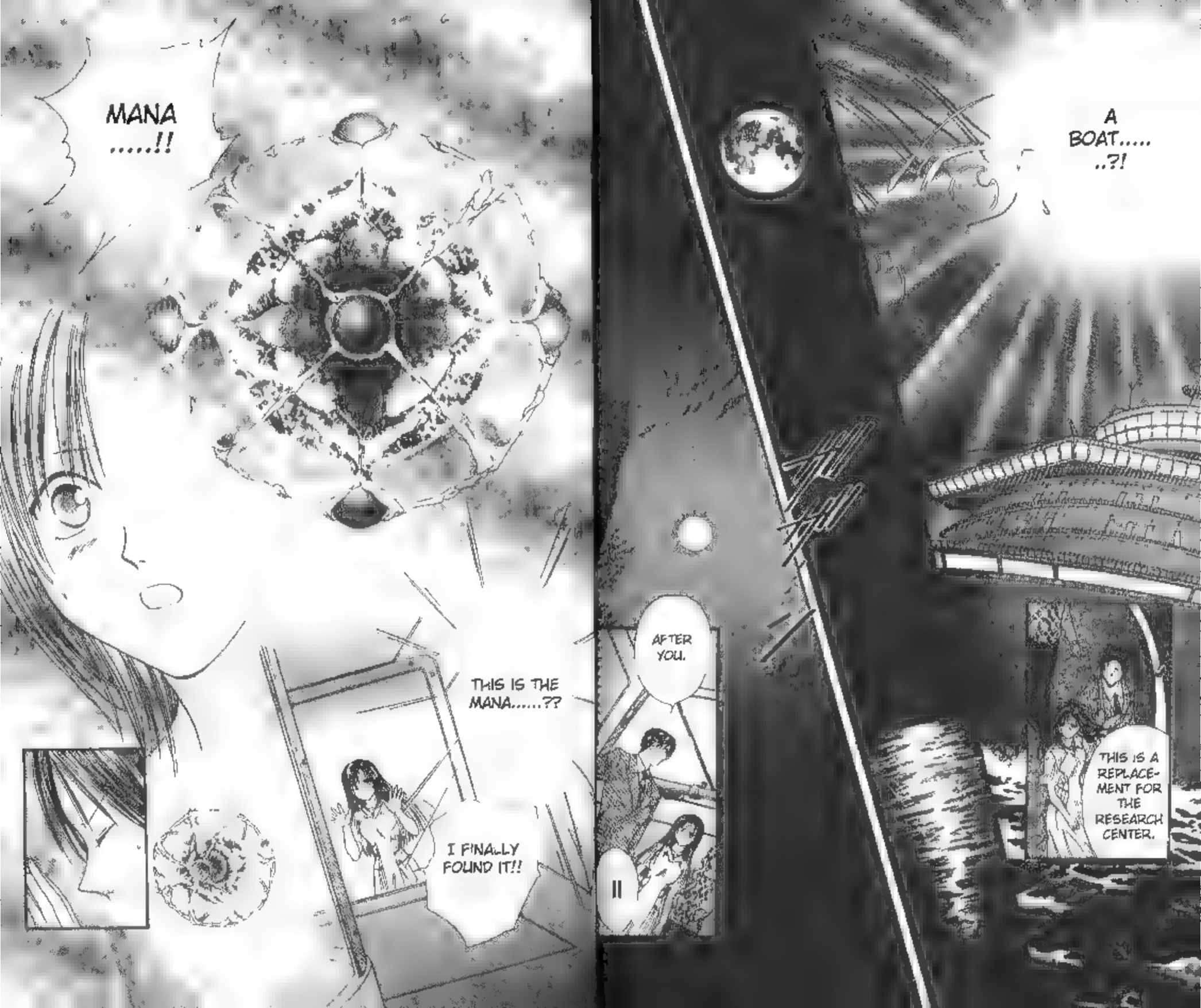
SHURO...!
AFTER MY CONCERT IS OVER, PLEASE RESCUE AYA RIGHT AWAY.
YOU SAY THAT KAGAMI'S PLACE WAS DESTROYED ?!
HM?!
YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE BEING SO COOL.... SHURO....I WON'T LET YOU DOWN...!

SHIT!
I'LL GET YOU! YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS!!
UHH
CERES .....

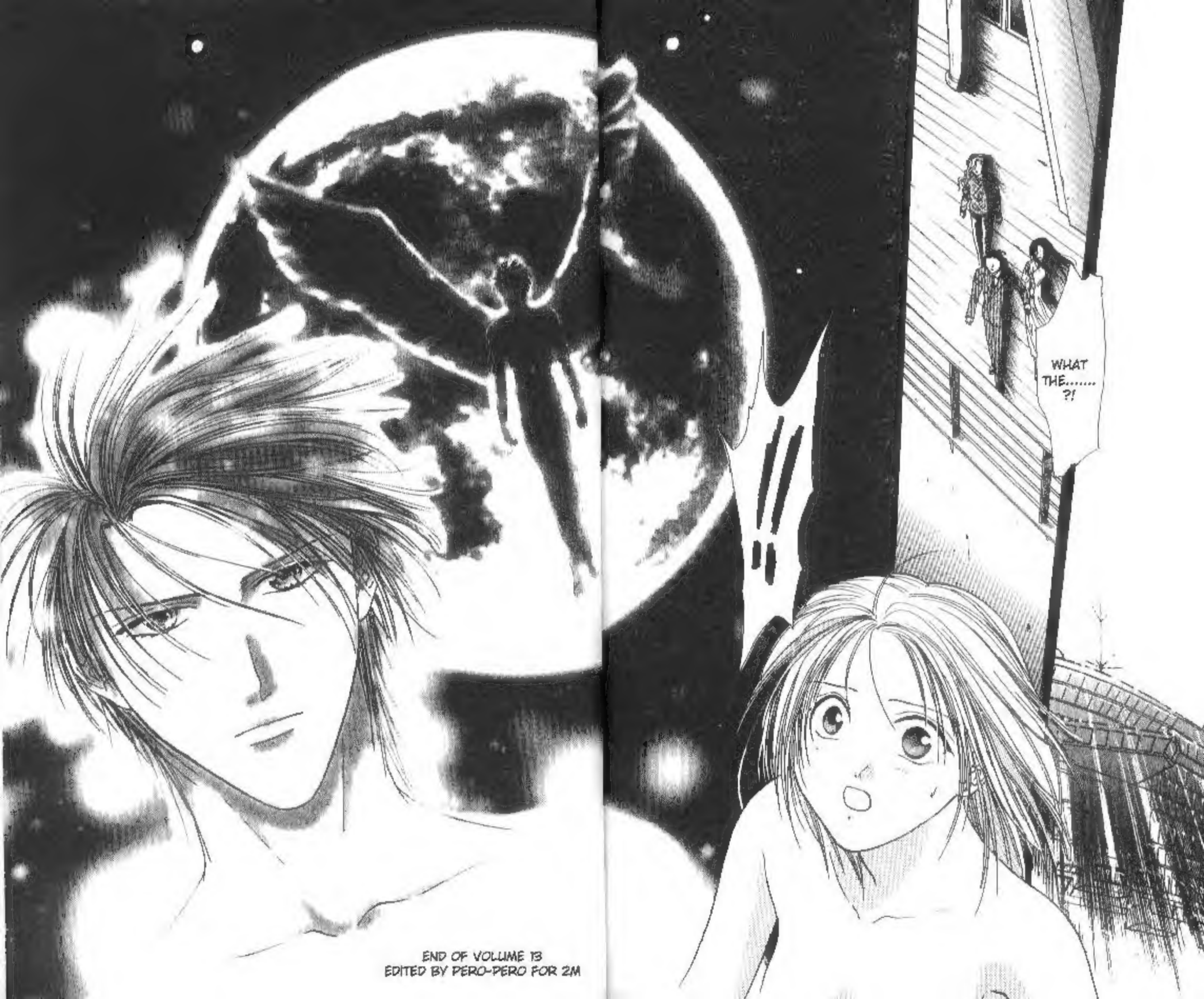

MANA .....!!
THIS IS THE MANA.....??
I FINALLY FOUND IT!!
AFTER YOU.
A BOAT..... ..?!
THIS IS A REPLACE-MENT FOR THE RESEARCH CENTER.

MANA.....IS THAT THE HAGOROMO? WHAT IS THE WORLD.....
ONE COULD SAY THAT MANA IS.....A PART OF OUR BODIES.
FOOLISH..... STILL GOING ON.....!
IN THAT CASE, LET'S TALK..... ABOUT THE MANA.
I'M LOSING STRENGTH ... .!
WERE WE BORN FROM MANA OR DID MANA BEAR US?
WE COULDN'T EVOLVE LIKE YOU HUMANS DID, BECAUSE WE'RE A FEMALE RACE.
OUR SPONSOR, RAGU-NAREKU CUT US OFF, BUT. . I'M NOT GIVING UP THE C-PROJECT.
SINCE WE'VE LOST OUR PAST, OUR GOAL WAS TO MAKE DESCEN-DANTS.....!
NOT WHILE YOU AND THE HAGOROMO AND THE CHILDREN STILL HAVE HOPE.....!

PUTTING ON THE HAGO-ROMO AND RETURNING TO THE HEAVENS, OUR HOME, IS WHAT MAKES US NOT HUMAN.
WE ARE WEAK..... VERY WEAK.
EVEN SO, WHY.....WHY ARE YOU THE STRONGEST BEINGS OF THIS PLANET.....

AND WHILE OUR BODIES CHANGE, WE LIVE FOR A LONG TIME..... LOOKING FOR STRONG SEEDS.
---!! THEN TENNYO WHO DON'T HAVE MANA CAN'T --
BUT WE HAVE A WEAKNESS.... WITHOUT OUR MANA, WE CAN NOT LIVE.
EVEN THOUGH WE CAN LIVE FOR COUNT-LESS DAYS..... IN THIS FORM, WE CAN HARDLY LAST FOR TEN YEARS.

KAGAMI.....
I WON'T LET YOU GO ANYWHERE..... I WON'T LET ANYONE HAVE YOU!
I'M CONFUSED.....
AM I GOING TO DIE TOO?
HUH
I WANT YOU TO UNDER-STAND.....
JUST YOU.....!
GIVE ME MY MANA.
YOU ARE A MIKAGE CHILD..... I, WHO WAS SO FOOLISH, BORE YOU.....



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